

**Andrew Jackson to Richard Keith Call, July 1, 1827,  
from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by  
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1 Original in possession of Mrs. Josephine Farrell, wife of Lt.-Col. Louis Farrell, U.S.A.

Hermitage, July 1, 1827.

*D'r Genl.* , Yours giving the pleasing intelligence of the safe arrival of your dear Mary and your sweet little daughter is just recd. Mrs. J and myself receive this intelligence with much pleasure, as we had great anxiety and uneasiness about her, as she was without your kind aid and attention on the road—present Mrs. J and myself affectionately to her with our congratulations on her safe arrival at home in good health, and meeting you in the full enjoyment of that blessing.

I have well noted your directions to have all proceedings about the will of Mr. Kirkman discontinued; it shall be complied with, as soon as I see Mr. Bell; and the amount of cost obtained and sent you, which shall be paid as soon as I am in cash from the sale of my cotton.

2 Mrs. Call's father.

You will have seen that the powers that be, thro their panders have been pouring out all their viols of wrath against me, that falsehood and forgery could invent—that even the War Department has been furnishing false accounts to their panders who has published them to the world to endeavour to induce the ignorant and unwary to believe that I have been using the public money and applying it to my use contrary to law. The vigilance of my friend Eaton in this has entirely discomfitted them—he made a call on the Dept. of War for a copy of my accounts in pay, quartermasters and Indian Depts. This threw them into

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a great bustle and alarm in the wigwam—but it could not be paried, the accounts were obtained certified by the proper officers, and lo and behold there was only about \$7000 difference between the account furnished Frank Johnson and that furnished Eaton, from which it appears Genl. Brown had recd. several hundred dollers in the same period more than I had. When men high in office descend to such baseness and falshood, to injure me, what will they not do to retain power, everything that wickedness can suggest. The god of truth will reign, and the day of retribution will come.

The coalition having been thus met and defeated in all their attempts to injure me by their vile slanders, are for the present palsied. What lies they next may invent I cannot devise. I fear them not, the attempt they have made has recoiled upon them, and has filled the whole nation with indignation at so unheard of proceedure. History does not furnish a precedent. The Telegraph will give you an idea of their baseness and the Louisville Advertiser to which I refer you.

I have been constantly employed furnishing to various calls on me, the necessary facts and documents, to refute those various attacks upon me. I have been charged with killing six militiamen by having them shot for mutiny, and desertion, and as Joe Gales says after peace. Now when Joe Gales can lye in face of the record, and the history of the day what have we not aright to expect. Ft Bowyer fell long after their execution. 3 Joe has [ *torn* ] the Treasury[ *torn* ] the printing for the Senate and lyes under the administration, and receives his pay, it is supposed, out of the contingent fund.

3 The "six militiamen" were executed on Feb. 21, 1815, the day on which Jackson received Cochrane's announcement that peace had been made. Fort Bowyer had fallen on Feb. 11. Joseph Gales was the publisher of the *National Intelligencer* .

With compliments to all friends and particularly to Gadsden I remain As usual yr friend